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General Committee

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Informal meeting (closed) . . . . . **Conference Room 5**

Third informal meeting to discuss organizational matters

Plenary

10 a.m. . . . . 37th plenary meeting . . . . . **General Assembly Hall**

Review of the implementation of the recommendations of the Third United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space . . . . . [23]

(a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (A/59/174)

(b) Draft resolution (A/59/L.4)

Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 12th meeting . . . . . **Conference Room 4**

Thematic discussion on item subjects as well as introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items (items 57 to 72): *item 57* (A/59/192 and A/C.1/59/L.8); *item 58* (A/C.1/59/L.55); *item 59* (A/C.1/59/L.33); *item 60* (A/59/116, A/59/116/Add.1 and A/C.1/59/L.2/Rev.1); *item 61* (A/C.1/59/L.32); *item 62* (A/59/165 (Part I), A/59/165 (Part I)/Corr.1 and A/C.1/59/L.8); *item 63* (A/C.1/59/L.44); *item 64* (A/C.1/59/L.36); *item 65* (A/59/117, A/59/117/Add.1, A/59/118, A/59/119, A/59/127, A/59/127/Add.1, A/59/127/Corr.1, A/59/128, A/59/128/Add.1, A/59/129, A/59/132, A/59/132/Add.1, A/59/132/Add.2, A/59/132/Add.2/Corr.1, A/59/132/Add.3, A/59/132/Add.4, A/59/132/Add.5, A/59/136, A/59/137, A/59/137/Add.1, A/59/156, A/59/156/Add.1, A/59/178, A/59/178/Add.1, A/59/179, A/59/181, A/59/193, A/59/278, A/59/278/Corr.1, A/59/364, A/C.1/59/L.1, A/C.1/59/L.5, A/C.1/59/L.6, A/C.1/59/L.7,

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A/C.1/59/L.10, A/C.1/59/L.11, A/C.1/59/L.12*, A/C.1/59/L.13, A/C.1/59/L.14, A/C.1/59/L.15, A/C.1/59/L.16, A/C.1/59/L.19, A/C.1/59/L.21, A/C.1/59/L.23, A/C.1/59/L.26, A/C.1/59/L.28, A/C.1/59/L.30, A/C.1/59/L.31, A/C.1/59/L.34, A/C.1/59/L.38*, A/C.1/59/L.39, A/C.1/59/L.40, A/C.1/59/L.41, A/C.1/59/L.43, A/C.1/59/L.45, A/C.1/59/L.46, A/C.1/59/L.47, A/C.1/59/L.48, A/C.1/59/L.49, A/C.1/59/L.50, A/C.1/59/L.52, A/C.1/59/L.53 and A/C.1/59/L.56); *item 66* (A/59/157, A/59/169, A/59/171, A/59/177, A/59/182, A/59/209, A/59/364, A/C.1/59/L.3, A/C.1/59/L.4/Rev.1, A/C.1/59/L.9, A/C.1/59/L.18, A/C.1/59/L.20, A/C.1/59/L.24, A/C.1/59/L.29 and A/C.1/59/L.51); *item 67* (A/59/27 (Suppl. 27), A/59/42 (Suppl. 42), A/59/168, A/59/361, A/C.1/59/L.27 and A/C.1/59/L.42); *item 68* (A/59/165 (Part II) and A/C.1/59/L.37); *item 69* (A/C.1/59/L.54); *item 70* (A/59/130, A/59/130/Add.1 and A/C.1/59/L.35); *item 71* (A/C.1/59/L.25); and *item 72* (A/C.1/59/L.17)

Other documents (A/C.1/59/1, A/C.1/59/2, A/C.1/59/3*, A/C.1/59/4 and A/C.1/59/INF.1)

[Delegations wishing to inscribe themselves on the list of speakers for the thematic debate and the introduction of draft resolutions are kindly requested to contact Ms. Cherub Nicholls (tel. 1 (212) 963-0388). If not, requests for all interventions will be taken directly from the floor on the given day.]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. . . . . 13th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Questions relating to information (A/59/21, A/59/221, A/59/221/Corr.1, A/59/6 and A/59/16, chap.II, sect. C, prog. 23) . . . . . [78]

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 16th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

3–6 p.m. . . . . 17th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Sustainable development (A/59/25, Suppl. No. 25, A/59/262, A/59/81-E/2004/63, A/59/115 and A/59/158) . . . . . [85]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (A/59/220 and A/59/167)

(b) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (A/59/173 and A/59/409)

(c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (A/59/228)

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind (A/59/197)

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (A/59/197)

(f) Convention on Biological Diversity (A/59/197)

(g) United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

Third Committee

3–6 p.m. 19th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Advancement of women [98]

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/59/L.25 and A/C.3/59/L.26

2. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [99]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.23

3. Promotion and protection of the rights of children (A/59/41, A/59/41/Corr.1, A/59/184-S/2004/602, A/59/190, A/59/274 and A/59/331) [101]

Continuation of general discussion

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 129 (Financing of the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor (A/59/290 and A/59/384)); 155 (Financing of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (A/59/288 and A/59/390)); 153 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Burundi (A/59/300 and A/59/412)); and 154 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (A/59/289, A/59/419 and A/59/419/Corr.1))

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 9th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

3–6 p.m. 10th meeting General Assembly Hall

Measures to eliminate international terrorism (A/59/37, A/59/210, A/59/210/Corr.1, A/C.6/59/L.10, A/59/83-S/2004/387, A/59/124-S/2004/532, A/59/337-S/2004/721, A/59/368-S/2004/747, A/59/380-S/2004/757, A/59/383-S/2004/758 and A/59/371) [148]

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Draft reports
2. Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2004
3. Procurement reform
4. Outsourcing practices

Open-ended Working Group to Negotiate an International Instrument to Enable States to Identify and Trace, in a Timely and Reliable Manner, Illicit Small Arms and Light Weapons

Morning[1]–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed)[2] . . . . . Conference Room 4

[1] Following the adjournment of the 12th meeting of the First Committee.

[2] If the Open-ended Working Group needs to continue its informal consultations, Conference Room 4 will be available from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m.

Trusteeship Council

Sixth-fourth session

3–4 p.m. . . . . 1st meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Election of the President and the Vice-President
3. Other matters

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 49 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 49 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held *today*, 20 October 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Second Committee *Informal "informals"*

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held *today*, 20 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. George Talbot (Guyana), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (b) (International financial system and development), will be held *today*, 20 October 2004, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 20 October 2004

Eastern European Group *(Fifth Committee matters)*

9–10 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

JUSCANZ Group *(Third Committee)*

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Disarmament

9–10.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

2004 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament

9 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

2–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing capacity-building in global public health" (under agenda item 55) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China)

10 a.m.–12 noon . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on the Chairman's text of a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women" (organized by the Permanent Mission of El Salvador)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Group of 77 *(core group on sustainable development: further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: promoting an integrated management approach to the Caribbean Sea area in the context of sustainable development; followed by a meeting of the core group on small island developing States)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Group of 77 *(draft resolutions on sustainable development: International strategy for disaster reduction (item 85 (c)))*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Group of 77 *(core group on macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Group of 77 ***(Fifth Committee matters)***

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 ***(draft resolution on the social dimension of globalization)***

4.30–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Arab Group ***(at the ambassadorial level)***

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Western European and Other States Group

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters

2–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Cuba)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Meeting of co-sponsors and open-ended informal consultations on the First Committee draft resolution entitled "The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects" (A/C.1/59L.43) (organized by the Permanent Missions of Colombia, Japan and South Africa)

3.15–4.15 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Informal consultations of co-sponsors of a Third Committee draft resolution (under agenda item 105 (a)) on the protection of the rights of all migrant workers and members of their families (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

Informal consultations of co-sponsors of a Third Committee draft resolution (under agenda item 105 (a)) on the protection of the rights of all migrant workers and members of their families, organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico, will be held *today*, 20 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Room C-209B.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on the report entitled "A Fair Globalization, Creating Opportunities for All" of the World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization (under agenda item 55) (organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland and the United Republic of Tanzania)

There will be informal consultations on a draft resolution on the report entitled "A Fair Globalization, Creating Opportunities for All" of the World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization (under agenda item 55), organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland and the United Republic of Tanzania, *today*, 20 October 2004, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Room S-2963D; and on Friday, 22 October, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in a conference room to be announced in the *Journal*. For further information, please contact Mr. Taisto Huimasalo, Permanent Mission of Finland (e-mail taisto.huimasalo@formin.fi).

Briefing for all delegations of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) (organized by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Secretariat (UNFCCC))

The Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Secretariat will hold a briefing for all delegations of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) on the issues to be discussed at the tenth session of the Conference of the Parties to be held in Buenos Aires from 6 to 17 December 2004. The briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held *today*, 20 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Briefing for delegations and Secretariat on the Electronic Meetings Planning and Resource Allocation System (eMeets)

Further to the Note Verbale sent to all Permanent Missions on 2 August 2004 and the briefings held on 27 August and 1 October 2004, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management will hold a briefing for delegations and the Secretariat, on the use of the Electronic Meetings Planning and Resource Allocation System (eMeets) for the electronic submission, processing and tracking of reservations for conference facilities, *today*, 20 October 2004, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 3. For further information, please contact the Meetings Control Section, Central Planning and Coordination Service, DGACM (tel. 1 (212) 963-6540).

Informal consultations on the Fourth Committee draft resolution entitled "Assistance in mine action" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, in its capacity of the presidency of the European Union)

There will be informal consultations on the Fourth Committee draft resolution entitled "Assistance in mine action" (under agenda item 22), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, in its capacity of the presidency of the European Union, *today*, 20 October 2004, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 3. For an electronic copy of the text or any further questions, please contact Mr. Dirk-Jan Nieuwenhuis (e-mail dj.nieuwenhuis@minbuza.nl).

Briefing for the Asian Group

There will be a briefing for the Asian Group, by the President-designate of the 2005 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, H.E. Mr. Sergio de Queiroz Duarte, *today*, 20 October 2004 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

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Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Ms. Mervat Tallawy, Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) (on ESCWA priority areas, namely the Commission's programmes in Iraq and Palestine and its efforts to achieve Arab regional integration)

3 p.m. . . . . Mr. John Miller, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, United States Department of State; Mr. Michael Garcia, Assistant Secretary, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, United States Department of Homeland Security; and Mr. Ricky Martin, musician and child advocate (on human trafficking)

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 21 October 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

10 a.m. . . . . 38th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [56 (a) to (t)]: joint debate

(a) Cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(b) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/59/L.1)

(c) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of South-East Asian Nations

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/59/L.6)

(d) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(e) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(f) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Council of Europe: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(g) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Community of Central African States: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(h) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/59/L.3)

(i) Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization of la Francophonie: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(j) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/59/L.5)

(k) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(l) Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(m) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons

(i) Note by the Secretary-General (A/59/297)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/59/L.8)

(n) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(o) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(p) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/59/L.12)[1]

(q) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/59/L.11)[1]

[1] To be issued.

(r) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization

(i) Note by the Secretary-General (A/59/296)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/59/L.7)

(s) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/303)

(t) Cooperation between the United Nations and the community of Portuguese-speaking countries

Main Committees

Second Committee

Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Eva Tomić (Slovenia), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (g) (United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development), will be held on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Félix Mbayu (Cameroon), on the draft resolution on agenda item 84 (Follow up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development), will be held on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held on Friday, 22 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Kumar Gupta (Canada), on the draft resolution on agenda item 86 (Human settlements), will be held on Friday, 22 October 2004, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Briefing

There will be a Second Committee briefing by the Executive Secretaries of the United Nations Regional Commissions on "Regional Perspectives on the Implementation of Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)", on Friday, 22 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Opening remarks will be made by Mr. Marco Balarezo, Chairman of the Second Committee, and the Moderator will be Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Under-Secretary-General, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Keynote address

A keynote address on the theme "Trade and development" will be delivered by Mr. Thomas Friedman, Foreign Affairs Columnist of *The New York Times*, on Wednesday, 27 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 2. The event, organized by the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be presided over by Mr. Marco Balarezo (Peru), Chairman of the Second Committee. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee, is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (tel. 1 (212) 963-8429; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail olvida@un.org)). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Third Committee

Listed below is the tentative schedule for introductory statements by Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives, Independent Experts and Chairpersons of working groups of the special procedures of the Commission on Human Rights, who will be presenting reports to the Third Committee:

Thursday, 21 October 2004 (agenda item 102): Mr. Rodolfo Stavenhagen (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people);

Wednesday 27 October (agenda item 105): Mr. Theo C. van Boven (Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment); Mr. Philip Alston (Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions); Mr. Jean Ziegler (Special Rapporteur on the right to food); Ms. Asma Jahangir (Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief); and Ms. Gabriela Rodríguez Pizarro (Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants);

Thursday 28 October (agenda item 105): Mr. John Dugard (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967); Mr. Paolo Sérgio Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar); Mr. Cherif Bassiouni (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan); Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea); Mr. Titinga Frédéric Pacéré (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo); and Mr. Emmanuel Akwei Addo (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Sudan);

Friday, 29 October (agenda item 105): Mr. Akich Okola (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Burundi); Mr. Paul Hunt (Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health); Ms. Yakin Erturk (Special Rapporteur on violence against women); Mr. Robert Goldman (Independent Expert on the protection of human rights while countering terrorism); Mr. Ibrahim Salama (Chairman of the Working Group of the Commission on Human Rights on the right to development); and Ms. Sigma Huda (Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, particularly women and children (subject to her official acceptance of her appointment)); and

Wednesday, 3 November: Mr. Doudou Diène (Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance) (agenda item 103); and Ms. Shaista Shameem (Special Rapporteur on the question of the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination) (agenda item 104).

Informal consultation

The Vice-Chairperson of the Third Committee, Ms. Astanah Banu Shri Abdul Aziz (Malaysia), will convene an informal consultation to negotiate the Chairman's text relating to the issue of revitalization of the work of the Committee, on Friday, 22 October 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee is open (A/C.3/59/L.1/Rev.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Third Committee secretariat (Ms. Vivian Bonano (tel. 1 (212) 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are also requested to submit the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 12th meeting on Thursday, 21 October 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 12th meeting and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management will make a statement on the current financial situation of the United Nations at the 12th meeting on Thursday, 21 October 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3.

Sixth Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all remaining items allocated to the Sixth Committee is open (A/C.6/59/L.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Nena Villena-Tanedo (tel. 1 (212) 963-5375; fax 1 (212) 963-1963; e-mail villena-tanedo@un.org)).

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 49 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 49 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments) will be held as follows: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 25, 26 and 27 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8; and Thursday and Friday, 28 and 29 October, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Economic and Social Council

Informal "informals"

There will be informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Ulrika Cronenberg-Mossberg (Sweden), on draft resolution E/2004/L.39, on the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries (item 6 (b)), on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Room S-2963D.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 *(core group on globalization and interdependence: international migration and development)*

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 *(core group on globalization and interdependence: international migration and development)*, on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room B.

Group of 77 *(core group on globalization and interdependence: preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin)*

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 *(core group on globalization and interdependence: preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin)*, on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Group of 77 *(briefing by the Secretariat of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD))*

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 *(briefing by the Secretariat of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD))*, on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Group of 77 *(briefing by the United Nations University)*

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 *(briefing by the United Nations University)*, on Friday, 22 October 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal briefings by regional commissions

Economic Commission for Europe

There will be a briefing to Member States by the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe, Ms. Brigita Schmognerova, on the latest developments in the region, as well as in the Commission, on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

There will be a briefing to Member States by the Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, Mr. Kim Hak-Su, on the latest developments in the region, as well as in the Commission, on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 5 to 6 p.m. in *Conference Room 2*.

African Group *(Third Committee experts)*

There will be a meeting of the African Group *(Third Committee experts)* on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "International law enforcement assistance network for combating the criminal misuse of information technologies" (organized by the United States Mission)

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution entitled "International law enforcement assistance network for combating the criminal misuse of information technologies", organized by the United States Mission, will be held on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Latin American and Caribbean Group

There will be a meeting of the Latin American and Caribbean Group on Thursday, 21 October 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Open-ended informal consultations on the First Committee draft resolution entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction" (A/C.1/59/L.31) (organized by the Permanent Mission of India)

Open-ended informal consultations on the First Committee draft resolution entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction" (A/C.1/59/L.31), organized by the Permanent Mission of India, will be held on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on public administration and development (A/59/346) (under agenda item 12) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Honduras)

There will be informal consultations on a draft resolution on public administration and development (A/59/346) (under agenda item 12), organized by the Permanent Mission of Honduras, on Friday, 22 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Open-ended informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on extrajudicial, summary and arbitrary executions (organized by the Permanent Mission of Finland)

Open-ended informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on extrajudicial, summary and arbitrary executions, organized by the Permanent Mission of Finland, will be held on Friday, 22 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

United Nations Development Programme

The first meeting in the process of consultation with UNDP Member States on the *Human Development Report 2005* will be held on Wednesday, 27 October 2004, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

The second informal consultation on the third global cooperation framework (GCF-III) will be held on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8. All interested Member States are invited to attend.

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of Permanent Missions in New York. The workshop will be held on Monday, 1 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; on Tuesday, 2 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.; and on Wednesday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the Permanent Missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 28 October 2004. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

UNITAR/OLA seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly conducting a seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties. The seminar will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 and 10 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. The programme of the seminar will be sent to registered participants. Delegates who wish to attend the seminar are requested to return the nomination form that has been faxed to their Permanent Mission by Thursday, 4 November. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-9683).

UNITAR workshops on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation jointly organize the 2004 Series entitled "Policy awareness and training in information technology" under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which will be repeated four times throughout the year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, conceived as an interactive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology.

Cycle IV of the 2004 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held until Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Monday, 4 October 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Preparations for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (28 February–11 March 2005), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Addressing the linkages between the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome document of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly and the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: progress, gaps and challenges; and (b) Future perspectives on the promotion of gender equality: through the eyes of young women and men. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org and/or proppe@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463; room DC2-1268 or room DC2-1262), no later than 5 November 2004, indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

2004 Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World

Delegations are kindly informed that the list of speakers at the high-level segment on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 December 2004, at the First Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction is now open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Executive Secretariat at the Geneva Branch of the Department for Disarmament Affairs (tel. +41 (0) 22-917-5281 or 22-917-2281).

Delegations are kindly asked to indicate the level of the representative as well as the preferred time-block for delivering their statement (i.e. 2 December, morning session, 2 December, afternoon session, or 3 December, morning session). Delegations are reminded that the allotted time for statements is 6 minutes.

Electronic notice boards for meetings

Electronic notice boards for meetings were recently installed in the General Assembly Lobby and at the garden level adjacent to the Cafe Austria to display updated information on scheduled meetings taking place at Headquarters. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would welcome feedback comments on the screens, which can be sent by logging on to http://emeets.un.org and using the feedback form, so that further adjustments can be made as necessary. The Department would also welcome comments sent to the same e-mail address on the terminology used, the quality of language services and improvement of other services provided to Member States.

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General of the Mauritius International Meeting, announces that as per General Assembly resolution 58/213B (A/RES/58/213B), the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Barbados+10) will take place from 10 to 14 January 2005 in Mauritius. The high-level segment will be held on 13 and 14 January 2005. If necessary, it was also decided that two days of informal consultations be held in Mauritius, on 8 and 9 January 2005, to facilitate preparations for the Meeting.

Summary of meetings

Tuesday, 19 October 2004

Security Council

5058th meeting — *The situation in the Middle East*

Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 1559 (2004) (S/2004/777)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2004/36).

5059th meeting — *Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts*

Letter dated 15 October 2004 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2004/820)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Bangladesh, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Egypt, El Salvador, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Liechtenstein, Malaysia, Nepal, the Netherlands, Nigeria, Peru, Samoa, Switzerland, Thailand, Uganda and Ukraine at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Mr. Andrey Denisov, Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Javier Rupérez, Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by His Excellency Mr. Andrey Denisov.

The Council heard a statement by Mr. Rupérez.

Statements were made by the representatives of Chile, Philippines, China, Germany, Spain, Brazil, Pakistan, France, Romania, Benin, Algeria, Angola and the United States, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United Kingdom.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Japan, Liechtenstein, the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilization and Association process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; and the EFTA countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement), Switzerland, India, Cuba and Thailand.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon the resumption of the meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council invited the representative of Colombia, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Uganda, Peru, Bangladesh, Ukraine, Israel, the Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Nigeria, Samoa, El Salvador, Canada, Nepal, Indonesia, Egypt, Fiji, Colombia and Costa Rica.

His Excellency Mr. Andrey Denisov responded to comments and questions posed by speakers.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2004/37).

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

35th plenary meeting *New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/206, A/59/206/Corr.1 (French only) and A/59/285)* [38 (a) and (b)]; *2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa: note by the Secretary-General (A/59/261)* [46]: *joint debate.*

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 38 and its sub-items (a) and (b) and agenda item 46.

Statements were made by the representatives of Guinea, the Republic of Korea, the Congo, Guyana, Kuwait, Cape Verde, Mali, Myanmar, Pakistan, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Viet Nam, Djibouti, Ukraine, Ethiopia, Rwanda, the Comoros and Indonesia.

36th plenary meeting *New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/206 and A/59/206/Corr.1 (French only), A/59/285)* [38 (a) and (b)]; *2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa: note by the Secretary-General (A/59/261)* [46]: *joint debate*

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda items 38 and its sub-items (a) and (b) and agenda item 46.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Brazil, the Niger, Grenada, the United Republic of Tanzania, Angola, Venezuela, Zimbabwe and Israel.

The observer of the Observer State of the Holy See made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 54/195 of 17 December 1999, the observer for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 49/2 of 19 October 1994, the observer for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 33/18 of 10 November 1978 and decision 53/453 of 18 December 1998, the observer for the International Organization of la Francophonie made a statement.

The President of General Assembly made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda items 38 and 46.

Main Committees

First Committee

11th meeting ***Thematic discussion on item subjects as well as introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items (items 57-72)***

The Committee continued its second stage of work (Thematic discussion on item subjects as well as introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 57 to 72).

Statements were made by the representatives of Brazil (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.41), Myanmar (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.26), Japan (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.23), Sweden (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.22), India (who introduced draft resolutions A/C.1/59/L.29 and A/C.1/59/L.30), Canada (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.34), Egypt (who introduced draft resolutions A/C.1/59/L.8 and A/C.1/59/L.37), New Zealand (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.25), Malaysia (who introduced draft resolutions A/C.1/59/L.12 and A/C.1/59/L.39), Mexico (who introduced draft decision A/C.1/59/L.15), Algeria, Uzbekistan (who introduced draft decision A/C.1/59/L.7), Chile (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.50), Pakistan (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.44), the Islamic Republic of Iran (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.6), Hungary (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.17) and Poland (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.16).

Statements were also made by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), the Republic of Korea, Romania, Brazil (on behalf of member States of MERCOSUR), Qatar, the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), China, the Russian Federation, Canada, Sweden, Sri Lanka and Venezuela.

Right of reply

The representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

12th meeting

Questions relating to information . . . . . [78]

The Chairman drew attention to the report of the Secretary-General, as contained in document A/59/221 and A/59/221/Corr.1, and the report of the Committee on Information (A/59/21).

The Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information made a statement.

The representative of Jamaica, Rapporteur of the Committee on Information, introduced the report of the Committee (A/59/21).

The representative of Bangladesh, in his capacity as Chairman of the Committee on Information, made a statement.

The Committee began its general debate with statements from the representatives of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro), the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United Arab Emirates, Kazakhstan, the Republic of Korea, Iceland, Kuwait, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and Ukraine.

On the proposal of its Chairman, the Committee decided to close the list of speakers in the general debate at 6 p.m., on the same day.

Second Committee

15th meeting

Sustainable development . . . . . [85]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development

(b) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

(c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

(f) Convention on Biological Diversity

(g) United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

The Committee heard statements by the representatives of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania and Turkey; and the countries of Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro), Tuvalu (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)), China, the Russian Federation, India, South Africa, Bangladesh, Switzerland, Iceland, Azerbaijan, Indonesia (on behalf of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN)), Tajikistan, Nepal, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Belize (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), the Islamic Republic of Iran and Peru (on behalf of the Andean Community).

A statement was also made by the observer for the Inter Parliamentary Union.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Third Committee

18th meeting

Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly . . . . . [93]

Introduction of draft proposals

A/C.3/59/L.16

The representative of South Africa introduced the draft decision, on behalf of the Group of 77.

A/C.3/59/L.17

The representative of Chile introduced the draft resolution.

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family . . . . . [94 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.18

The representative of Portugal introduced the draft resolution, also on behalf of Angola, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, the Dominican Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Monaco, the Netherlands, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey and the United Kingdom.

Crime prevention and criminal justice . . . . . [96]

Introduction of draft proposals

A/C.3/59/L.20

The representative of the United States introduced the draft resolution.

A/C.3/59/L.22

The representative of Italy introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Argentina, Belarus, Norway and Peru.

International drug control . . . . . [97]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.19

The representative of Mexico introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Afghanistan, Belarus, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Monaco, Panama, Singapore, South Africa and Tajikistan.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children . . . . . [101]

The Committee resumed its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Gabon, Liechtenstein, Egypt, Cuba, Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Algeria, Viet Nam, Canada (also on behalf of Australia and New Zealand), Myanmar, Sri Lanka, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Malaysia (on behalf of the Association of South-East Asian Nations), Indonesia, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana and Eritrea.

Organization of work

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for submission of draft proposals under agenda item 101 was Thursday, 21 October, at 1 p.m.

Fifth Committee

11th meeting

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [106]

The Committee continued its consideration of this agenda item and heard statements by the representatives of Canada (on behalf also of Australia and New Zealand), South Africa (on behalf of the African Group), the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Republic of Korea, Turkey and the United States.

The Chairman of the Board of Auditors, the Controller and the Director of the Office of the Under-Secretary-General for Management replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin on that day, Tuesday, 19 October, in the afternoon, under the chairmanship of Mr. Yasser Elnaggar (Egypt).

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [113]

The Committee continued its consideration of this agenda item and heard statements by the representatives of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Ukraine, Jordan, China, Slovenia (on behalf of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Serbia and Montenegro and Slovenia), the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Syrian Arab Republic, Jamaica, Cuba, Brazil (on behalf of the Rio Group), Japan and Mexico.

The Chairman of the Committee on Contributions replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would be held under the Chairmanship of Ms. Karen Lock (South Africa), Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

Pattern of conferences . . . . . [112]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Assistant Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management and the representative of the Systems Management Section of the Office of Central Support Services replied to questions raised.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin on Thursday, 21 October, in the afternoon, the chairmanship of Mr. Mohammad Tal (Jordan).

Other matters

The Assistant Secretary-General for Central Support Services made a statement regarding questions raised by the representative of Egypt at the tenth meeting of the Fifth Committee held on 18 October 2004.

Statements were then made by the representatives of Egypt, Jordan, Uruguay and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Central Support Services replied to further questions raised.

Sixth Committee

8th meeting

Measures to eliminate international terrorism . . . . . [148]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 148.

Statements were made by the representatives of Malaysia, Ecuador, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Belarus, Qatar, the United States, China, Iceland, Morocco, Bahrain, Monaco, Colombia, Israel, Sri Lanka, Mozambique, Cuba, Afghanistan, Costa Rica, the United Republic of Tanzania, Pakistan, Japan and Algeria.

It was announced that the Committee would continue its debate on this agenda item on Wednesday, 20 October 2004.

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Tuesday, 19 October 2004

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Human Rights Committee
Eighty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

2227th meeting — *Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant* [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the fifth periodic report of Finland (CCPR/C/FIN/2003/5).

2228th meeting — The Committee began its consideration of the initial report of Albania.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Ratification: Benin (14 October 2004)[1]

Amendments to articles 24 and 25 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 16 May 1998

Acceptance: Trinidad and Tobago (18 October 2004)[1]

Amendment to article 74 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 18 May 1978

Acceptance: Trinidad and Tobago (18 October 2004)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

OLA/UNITAR Seminar on the Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

United Nations Headquarters, 9 and 10 November 2004

The above seminar, sponsored by the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat (OLA) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will take place on 9 and 10 November 2004 at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The objective of the two-day seminar is to provide an overview of the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. The seminar is designed essentially to meet the needs of members of the permanent missions and representatives from capitals, and other personnel, in particular, legal counsellors and advisors, dealing with matters of treaty law, or specifically involved with the preparation of treaty actions with regard to multilateral treaties and with the registration of treaties pursuant to Article 102 of the United Nations Charter. Assistance and guidance will also be provided on the domestic aspects of participation in multilateral treaties.

The seminar is based on the Treaty Handbook, which was developed and published by the Treaty Section of OLA. The Treaty Handbook is a practical guide to the depositary practice of the Secretary-General and the registration requirements of the Secretariat. It is designated to serve as a tool for Member States, secretariats of international organizations and legal practitioners.

For more information about the seminar, please contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Information Notes and Nomination Forms will be transmitted to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations in New York by UNITAR shortly.

Other announcements

Annual Parliamentary Hearing (organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU))

The annual Parliamentary Hearing on the theme "From disarmament to lasting peace: Defining the parliamentary role", organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), will continue *today*, 20 October 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the IPU office (tel. 1 (212) 557-5880) or visit the IPU Web site at www.ipu.org/splz-e/unga04.htm).

Women's International Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on "The role of the United Nations in fighting international terrorism", *today*, 20 October 2004, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "Weapons of mass destruction: The challenges of non-proliferation and disarmament", in observance of Disarmament Week (24-30 October). The briefing will be held on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Susanne Tinkl, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-7949; e-mail tinkl@un.org).

Lecture on "Indigenous peoples: Diversity and development" (co-organized by the Human Development Report Office, UNDP, and the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, DSPD, DESA)

There will be a lecture by the Special Rapporteur on the human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people of the Commission on Human Rights, Dr. Rodolfo Stavenhagen, on "Indigenous peoples: Diversity and development", co-organized by the Human Development Report Office, UNDP, and the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA, on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, the representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For more information, please contact the secretariat of Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (tel. 1 (917) 367-5102) or visit the following Web site: www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii).

Special event on the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

A panel discussion on "Youth – A new voice for the Millennium Development Goals", on the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, organized by the United Nations Programme on Youth, UNDP, will be held on Friday, 22 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, the representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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